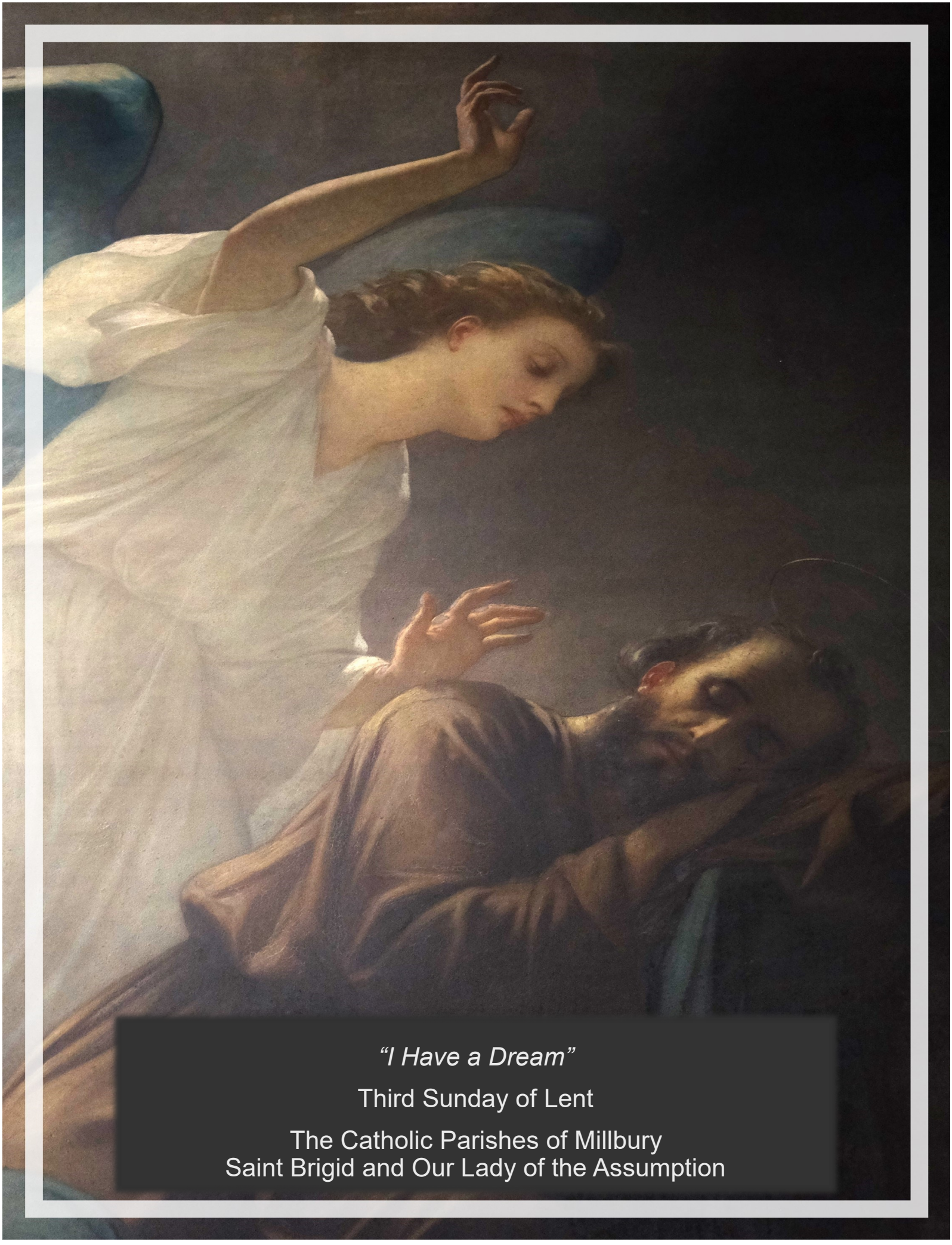

“I Have a Dream”

Third Sunday of Lent

The Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Saint Brigid and Our Lady of the Assumption

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
SAINT BRIGID † OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Office

59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101
www.stbrigidparish.org

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657
www.assumptionmillbury.org

Assumption School

17 Grove St.
Millbury, MA 01527
(508)865-5404
WWW.ASSUMPTIONSCHOOLMILLBURY.ORG
Julie Olson
Principal

St. Vincent de Paul Society Outreach

774-262-5506

Mass Times

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Assumption Church

10 Waters Street
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekday Mass Times

Monday & Thursday
9:00AM

Tuesday & Wednesday
7:00AM

All at Assumption Church

Parish Staff

Clergy

Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Ronald B. Buron
Deacon
Facilities
Safe Environment

Administration

Ronald Marlborough
Buildings and Grounds

Pastoral Associates

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.
Pastoral Care Ministry Emerita

Gregory Bernard
Adolescent & Young Adult Faith Formation
Youth Ministry
Communications

Deborah R. Blicharz
Children's Faith Formation
Community Life and Outreach

Claudette Belair
Music Ministry

Sacraments

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated each month. To prepare for your child's Baptism, parents will attend a preparational session. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish office.

Penance and Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Marriage

Please call the parish office at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat., March 6

4:00 PM **The Deceased Members of the Gallati Family**
By: The Mazzone family

Sun., March 7

7:00 AM **Susan Moynagh**
By: Zina Zigmont

9:00 AM **Rev. Camillus Thibault, A.A.**
By: Assoc. of the Sisters of the Assumption of Salem, MA

11:00 AM **Edward Faber, III**
By: Bob and Donna Gazaille

Mon., March 8

9:00 AM **Connor Francis Tronerud**
By: His parents Jason and Teresa and brother Kyle

Tue., March 9

7:00 AM **The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury**

Wed., March 10

7:00 AM **St. Jude**
By: A parishioner

Thu., March 11

9:00 AM **The deceased members of the Richard family**
By: Sr. Jeanne

Fri., March 12 Stations of the Cross and Mass

6:30 PM **Pauline Alek**
By: Janice Despres

Sat., March 13

4:00 PM **Elaine Duby**
By: Jo-Ann Dunn

Sun., March 14

7:00 AM **Anthony Lomartire, 5th Anniversary**
By: Denise Marlborough

9:00 AM **George D'Auteuil, Sr. and George D'Auteuil, Jr.**
By: Pauline D'Auteuil

11:00 AM **Charles Mancuso**
By: The family

Snow Policy: No School/No Mass
For the safety of our parishioners, when school is **canceled or delayed** in Millbury, daily Mass is also canceled.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, March 13, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid
AS: R. Prue, T. Yaz
L: J. & J. Geneva
EM: J. K. Levitre, T. Goyette

Sunday, March 14, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid
AS: J. Mazeika
L: M. Blunt
EM: T. Mattus, J. Mazeika

Sunday, March 14, 9:00 AM at Assumption
AS: M. Seaman, A. Weeks
L: M. Gabriau
EM: K. & D. Seaman

Sunday, March 14, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid
AS: N/A
L: G. Borus
EM: M. Piscitelli, M. Sampson

Activity Schedule

SATURDAY ~ MARCH 6
No Events

SUNDAY ~ MARCH 7
Penance Prep Class @ OLAC 10:00 - 11:00 AM
SVDP Food Drive @ SBH 12:15 PM
SLAA @ SBH @ 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ MARCH 8
AA @ SBH 7:00 PM
GA @ OLAH 8:00 PM

TUESDAY ~ MARCH 9
OA @ SBH 6:30-8:00 PM
Cub Scouts @ OLAH 6:30-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ MARCH 10
No Events

THURSDAY ~ MARCH 11
School PTG Meeting @ OLAH 6:00-8:00 PM

FRIDAY ~ MARCH 12
No Events

SATURDAY ~ MARCH 13
Baptism @ SBC 12:00 PM

SUNDAY ~ MARCH 14
Penance Prep @ OLAC 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2021

SUNDAY March 7	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25
MONDAY March 8	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
TUESDAY March 9	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
WEDNESDAY March 10	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
THURSDAY March 11	Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
FRIDAY March 12	Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
SATURDAY March 13	Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
SUNDAY March 14	Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Oscar & Marcy Anger
Lee Aubin
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Gregory Barlay
Albina Bartkus
Edward Bartkus
Ann Beesley
Arthur G. Boucher
Patricia Bourdeau
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Rita Cogliandro
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Karen A. Courville
Roland O. Couture
Arthur "Archie" Cronin
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Kathleen M. DeCillis

Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Diane Dion
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Lois M. Fisher
Gabrielle G. Gaboriault
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Reggie Gauthier
Richard Gendron
Edward & Frances Genis
Ruth Gonsorcik
John & Irene Guyan
Robert James (Sam) Guyan
Betty Hamilton
Derek Hamilton
Thomas & Patricia Hamilton
Robert J. Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
John & Shirley Huchowski
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Joseph V. Kane

Richard Kroll
Michael P. Krumsiek
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Joseph Matthews
Margaret Matthews
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Lorraine Mooney
Elsie Moquin
Ann Mulcahy
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Albert Nikosey
Evelyn Noonan
Joseph Noonan
Rosemary Norton
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Virginia Richnick
Arlene Riedle

Stephen Rodwill
Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Bob & Rita Shea
Gino Silveri
Lucien Sirard
Maureen L. Stacy
C. Richard Stockhaus
Joseph F. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Chester Urban
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Nancy Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Paula Ward
Margaret Wendt
Dolores White
Ronald Woodward
Frank J. Yaz

May They Rest in Peace

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

CANDLES

Burning March 6 - March 12

Saint Joseph Candle

At St. Brigid Church

In Loving Memory of

Joseph and Mary Brady

Requested by: Jane Brady

Mass Intentions and Candles

DID YOU KNOW? *The sanctuary lamp or sometimes called a sanctuary light/candle burns before the tabernacle to indicate and honor the presence of Christ … to let us know that Jesus is home.*

DID YOU KNOW? *That beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St. Joseph."*

DID YOU KNOW? *To honor St. Joseph, candles are being made available for your intentions at the statues of St. Joseph in both St. Brigid and Assumption churches.*

DID YOU KNOW? *Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Candles, and St. Joseph Candles are available for 2021. Masses are still available on weekends and weekdays.*

If you would like to schedule a Mass, Sanctuary Candle, or St. Joseph Candle please call the office at 508-865-6624, send an email to secretary@stbrigidparish.org or stop by the office during regular business hours, Monday – Thursday from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM. Please be sure to include your name and phone number in any contact along with your request.

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the souls of

Sherri Kalil

Marie Cafferty

who have gone home to God. May they rest in Christ's eternal light and peace.

GUIDELINES FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Lenten fast and abstinence regulations for the Diocese of Worcester are as follows:

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed Lenten penitential practices.

GOOD FRIDAY: *Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.*

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Saint Joseph, pray for us!

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer Line: 508-865-6853 or 508-756-9854

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call one of the confidential prayer lines listed above.

Ministries

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS
Third Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: First Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: First Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup,
Paper Goods, Snacks

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

BREAKING BREAD APP AVAILABLE NOW!

USCCB approved Breaking Bread 2021 eMissal app is available for iOS and Android users at only $4.99 for the entire year. Breaking Bread 2021 eMissal app is simple and easy to use. With music, readings, prayers and the Order of Mass, this digital resource helps you fully participate in the liturgy, whether at home or in church. You can also prepare for each celebration by selecting songs, psalm settings and Gospel Acclamations for every Sunday and holy day.

Download on the App Store

ANDROID APP ON Google play

Greetings from the Knights of Columbus!

It is once again, time for our "Friday Drive By Fish Fries", beginning February 19th starting at 4 PM at our trailer in the parking lot of St. Mark's in Sutton. Please help us help others by driving in to get the best fish in the area. Looking forward to seeing you all there. With much appreciation for your support, Bishop Flanagan Council 12710

God's Peace be with you!

PRAYER TO END RACISM

O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness,
no thought of ours is left unnoticed,
no desire or concern ignored. You have proven that blessings
abound when we fall on our knees in prayer,
and so we turn to you in our hour of need.

Surrounded by violence and cries for justice, we hear
your voice telling us what is required, "Only to do
justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your
God" (Mi 6:8). Fill us with your mercy so that we,
in turn, may be merciful to others.

Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism so that we may
seek peace and justice in our communities. Strengthen our
hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will.
Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a
future filled with encounter and unity.

Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts, for only by the prompting of
your grace can we progress toward virtue.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen!

- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

A LENTEN PRAYER

Lent is a time to fast from certain things and feast on others:

Fast from judging others;
Feast on the Christ within them.

Fast from emphasis on differences;
Feast on the unity of life.

Fast from apparent darkness;
Feast on the reality of light.

Fast from thoughts of illness;
Feast on the healing power of God.

Fast from words that pollute;
Feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; Feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; Feast on optimism.

Fast from worry; Feast on the divine order.

Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives; Feast on affirmatives.

Fast from unrelenting pressures;
Feast on prayer.

Fast from hostility; Feast on non-resistance.

Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern;
Feast on compassion for others.

Fast from personal anxiety;
Feast on eternal truth.

Fast from discouragement; Feast on hope.

Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm.

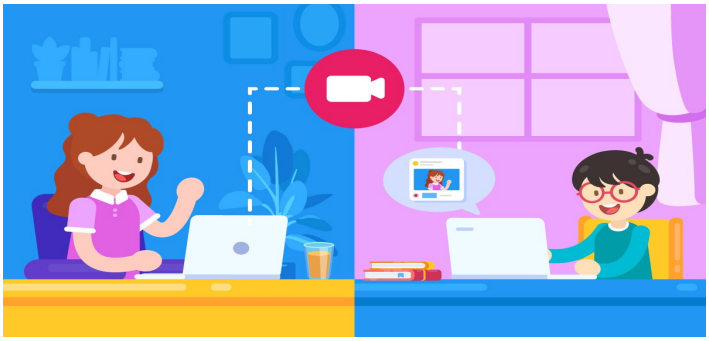
Fast from sluggishness; Feast on discipline.

Fast from isolation; Feast on friendship.

Fast from tyranny; Feast on liberation.

- Author Unknown

Faith Formation Update



Due to the increase in local COVID numbers, we have moved to a fully remote Faith Formation format in all grades 2-10. We have adjusted curriculums accordingly and are in the process of communicating revised schedules to all families. We will remain in this remote model at minimum through the end of February. We pray that all our families have a healthy and blessed 2021!

Care for Creation Corner

"The environment...is on loan to each generation, which must then hand it on to the next." *(Laudato Si 159)*

Unused food can be composted which puts it to good use if your family does any type of gardening. Discuss the modern meaning of the phrase in Genesis 2:15 - "to keep and cultivate the garden". What is expected of us to "keep it"?

Time how long you are in the shower. Try to keep your shower to less than 4 minutes on average.

Use rechargeable batteries and eliminate the waste, consume less!! Example: Keeping your phone for 4 years instead of 2 has an environmental impact. Check storyofstuff.org

Discuss with the oldest members of your family their perspectives on protecting the environment. Express your hopes for the future.

FINANCIALS

Our Lady of the Assumption
Income
February 21, 2021

Regular Weekly Collection	**$893.00**
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$980.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$1,873.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Debt	$30.00
Specialty Ministries	$102.00
Utilities	$215.00
Catholic Free Press	$117.00
OLA School Plowing Reimb.	$2,355.00
Initial Offering	$16.00
Ash Wednesday	$389.00
Mass Stipends	$100.00
Easter	$50.00
Easter Flowers	$50.00
Total Other Income	**$3,424.00**
Total Income	**$5,297.00**

Our Lady of the Assumption
Cash Flow
February 10-18, 2021

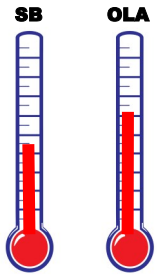
Clergy Benefits *(Health Ins.)*	$425.00
Mike Lynch Enterprises *(Snow removal, OLA)*	$4,710.00
National Grid *(Electric)*	$245.90
Expense Reimb. *(Altar)*	$91.98
Aquarion *(Water)*	$295.29
Our Sunday Visitor *(Envelopes)*	$158.24
Ray's True Value *(Maintenance)*	$36.07
RC Bishop of Worc. *(Budget)*	$2.111.00
St. Brigid Parish *(Reimbursement)*	$4,291.91
Verizon *(Phones)*	$282.96
Total monies paid	**$12,648.35**

Partners in Charity 2021

As of February 17, 2021

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish
is at 62% of its Partners goal of $20,400.

St. Brigid Parish
is at 44% of its Partners goal of $60,000



Look What We Did!

The St. Brigid debt figure, after the recent payments and Diocesan match, is:

$22,817.60

This is down from the original figure of nearly $500,000. Thank You!

St. Brigid
Income
February 21, 2021

Regular Weekly Collection	**$2,941.00**
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$550.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$3,491.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Debt *(incl. online when appl.)*	$154.00
Specialty Ministries *(incl. online when appl.)*	$342.00
Utilities *(incl. online when applicable)*	$103.00
OLA Reimbursement	$4,291.91
Ash Wednesday	$1,179.00
Catholic Free Press	$117.00
Initial Offering	$16.00
Donation	$125.00
Mass Stipends	$50.00
Funerals	$300.00
Faith Formation Reg.	$100.00
Easter Flowers	$10.00
Total Other Income	**$6,787.91**
Total Income	**$10.278.91**

St. Brigid
Cash Flow
February 10-18, 2021

Payroll *(1/30)*	$2,323.18
PayChex, Inc. *(Payroll Processing Fees)*	$65.00
Payroll Taxes	$836.70
J.E. Bengston *(Snow removal, St. B)*	$2,200.00
Stipends *(Clergy)*	$150.00
Credit Card *(Misc. Office Expenses)*	$543.82
Colonial Life *(Insurance)*	$26.76
Cantor Funeral Stipends	$300.00
Toshiba Finance *(Office Copier)*	$267.61
Total monies paid	**$6,713.07**

St. Brigid & Assumption Online Giving Combined
(Separate parish reports not available for this period)
February 9-16, 2021

Sunday Offering	$1,915.00
Debt	$135.00
Utilities	$75.00
Specialty Ministries	$15.00
SVDP	$20.00
Christmas Flowers	$25.00
Mustard Seed	$5.00
Total monies paid	**$2,190.00**

Assumption School

Millbury, MA

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NATIONAL HANDWRITING CONTEST

Assumption School students took part in the 2020-2021 Zaner-Bloser National Handwriting Contest. Congratulations to the Grade Level Winners:

Josephine J.—Kindergarten

Desmond D.— Grade 1

Leyla B.— Grade 2

Sophia B.— Grade 3

Emma H.— Grade 4

Tessa S.— Grade 5

The work of these students has now been sent to the Zaner-Bloser State Level Competition.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

COVID-19 VACCINE ASSISTANCE

Millbury Senior Center will assist seniors 75 and older in registering for the COVID-19 vaccine.
For an appointment, call the center at 508-865-9154.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Every Tuesday from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
The Blood Pressure Clinic is held inside now.
Come to the front door and we will escort you from there.
Masks are required, along with social distancing!

GRAB N' GO MEALS

Lunch meals will be available to be picked up daily at the front door at 11:30 AM. The menu is available on the town website www.townofmillbury.org, or our Millbury Senior Center Facebook page. A 48 hour reservation is required. For more information or reservations call us at 508-865-9154.

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER IS NOW ACCEPTING SNAP APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)

Appointments are on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10:00 - 2:00 PM. Call 508-865-9154 to schedule an appointment and obtain the required documentation.

This project has been funded at least in part with Federal Funds from USDA. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The USDA does not endorse any goods, services or enterprises.

The Senior Center is closed to the Public.

While the building is not open to the public the Food Pantry at the Millbury Senior Center is available from 9AM to 1PM Monday thru Friday by calling 508-865-9247 for an appointment. Our food pantry is fully stocked at this time. Please tell us what you need and you can pick it up or we will deliver it. We are still here to answer any questions you may have and we are available for your transportation to doctors appointments, or if you need to go to the drug store for your prescriptions, we will take you there. If you don't have a mask, we will give you one. Also if you are in need of a home delivered meal, give us a call and we will set you up to get one delivered to you. Keep safe and remember to wear a mask if you go out and to wash your hands frequently.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette at the Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363. A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

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"You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." — John 8:32

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CODE - BREAKER!

The sentence below is to be found in one of today's readings. Can you break the code and write in the sentence? Here are two clues: U = A and M = S.

UM NBY DYQCMB

JUMMIPYL QUM HYUL,

DYMOM QYHN OJ NI

DYLOMUFYG.

ANSWER As the Jewish Passover was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Crossword solution from last week

R	A	M	■	L	A	N	D	■	P
A	■	O	■	E	■	■	O	N	E
B	E	S	I	D	E	S	■	■	T
B	■	E	■	■	A	■	A	W	E
I	■	S	T	A	R	■	L	■	R
■	K	■	H	■	T	■	T	■	■
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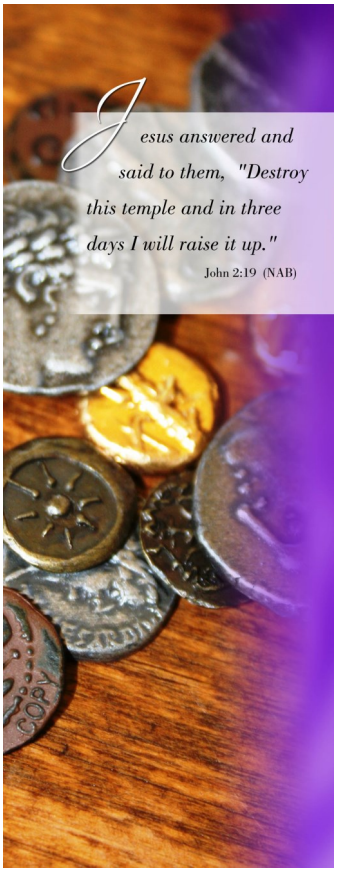

BRIGIT'S FEAST

I should like a great lake of finest ale,
for the King of Kings
I should like a table
of the choicest food,
for the family of heaven.
Let the ale be made
from the fruits of faith,
and the food be forgiving love.
I should welcome the poor to my feast,
for they are God's children.
I should welcome the sick to my feast,
for they are God's joy.
Let the poor sit with Jesus
at the highest place,
and the sick dance with the angels
God bless the poor, God bless the sick,
and bless our human race.
God bless our food,
God bless our drink,
all homes, O God, embrace.

Ancient Celtic prayer attributed to St Brigit.
Photo: Christine Sine